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SUBJECT: ALGERIAN PROPOSAL FOR EXTRAORDINARY
GENERAL ASSEMBLY

1. COSTA RICAN VICE MINISTER FOR FOREIGN RELATIONS
FZKNANDO SALAZAR, WHO WILL RETURN TO NEW YORK NEXT
WEEKEND IN HIS ROLE OF COSTA RICAN REP TO SECURITY
COUNCIL, CALLED CHARGE TO XRIOFF THIS MORNING. SALAZAR
PROVIDED COPIES OF SPANISH TRANSLATIONS OF A LETTER TO
THE UN SECGEN FROM THE HEAD OF THE ALGERIAN UN DELEGATION
AND AN ACCOMPANYING LETTER TO THE SECGEN FROM PRESIDENT
BOUMEDIENE. BOUMEDIENE'S LETTER, WRITTEN IN HIS CAPACITY
AS ACTING PRESIDENT OF THE GROUP OF NON-ALIGNED COUNTRIES
AS WELL AS PRESIDENT OF THE ALGERIAN COUNCIL OF
MINISTERS AND THE
COUNCIL OF THE REVOLUTION, REQUESTS
THE SECGEN TO CALL AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION OF THE
GENERAL ASSEMBLY TO DEAL WITH ALL MATTERS CONCERNING RAW
MATERIALS. THIS PROPOSAL IS DESCRIBED AS AN
EXTENSION OF THE FRENCH PROPOSAL FOR A CONFERENCE LIMITED
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TO THE ENERGY PROBLEM. IT IS SPECIFICALLY DIFFERENTIATED

FROM THE RESOLUTION APPROVED BY THE 28TH GENERAL ASSEMBLY
FOR AN EXTRAORDINARY SESSION LATER THIS YEAR ON PROBLEMS OF DEVELOP-
MENT.

2. SALAZAR EXPLAINED THAT THE GOCR IS CONSULTING WITH
FRIENDLY GOVERNMENTS ON THEIR ATTITUDES TOWARD THE
ALGERIAN PROPOSAL. HE INDICATED THAT HE THINKS THE PRO-
POSAL WILL PROSPER GIVEN THE VOTING STRENGTH OF THE
NON-ALIGNED GROUP. FOR THIS REASON, AND GIVEN COSTA
RICA'S PRESENT POSITION IN THE SECURITY COUNCIL, THE
GOCR IS INCLINED TO GO ALONG, ON THE OTHER HAND IT
RECOGNIZES THESE PROBLEMS: A) SHORT TIME FUSE, SINCE

GOCR UNDERSTANDS ALGERIANS ARE PUSHING FOR MARCH MEETING;
AND B) POSSIBLE CONFLICT AND/OR DUPLICATION WITH APPROVED
GA SESSIN ON DEVELOPMENT.

3. SALAZAR WOULD APPRECIATE BEING INFORMED DIRECTLY IN
NEW YORK NEXTSCEEK ON US VIEWS THIS MATTER. HE IMPLIED
THAT HE HAS BEEN AUTHORIZED TO DECIDE GOCR'S POSITION
THIS MATTER.

4. ACTION RECOMMENDED: IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT USUN PRO-
VIDE US VIEWS DIRECTLY TO SALAZAR AS REQUESTED. ALSO THAT
EMBASSY BE PROVIDED WITH SIMILAR GUIDANCE AND APPROPRIATE
INSTRUCTIONS FOR DEMARCHE TO FOREIGN MINISTER WHO CAN
CERTAINLY OVERRULE SALAZAR IF HE WANTS AND NEEDS TO.
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